My idea to help stop spam.

Have a national registration for "legitimate" mass e-mailers. They would
have to register and pay a fee, any company or individual using an
unauthorized mass emailer to sell their product would be prosecuted.

Users could block any message from all authorized emailers if we don't want
any junk mail. Perhaps they would all be required to use ".mm" (mass
mailing) at the end of their domain name. Such as "betterdeals.mm"

Illegal spammers do what they do to make money, they provide their service
to the sellers of inkjet products, mortgage companies, etc.. If we make it a
crime and prosecute any company that hires an "unauthorized" email marketing
company, most spam would stop.

That's the basic idea, it needs lots of details still but I haven't heard
anyone mention anything like this before.

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